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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Electric Universal Service Program Fund - Extension**

3 FOR the purpose of altering the date on which certain funds retained in the Electric  
4 Universal Service Program Fund must be returned to certain persons; and  
5 altering the date by which certain persons must apply to the Electric Universal  
6 Service Program for assistance from certain retained funds.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
8 Chapter 95 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2003  
9 Section 3

10 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF  
11 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

12 **Chapter 95 of the Acts of 2003**

13 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, notwithstanding the  
14 requirements of § 7-512.1(b)(3) and (h)(5) of the Public Utility Companies Article and  
15 § 7-512.1(f)(5) of the Public Utility Companies Article, as enacted by this Act, the  
16 Public Service Commission may retain any unexpended funds in the electric universal  
17 service program fund at the end of June 30, [2003] 2004 and make the funds available  
18 for disbursement through June 30, [2004] 2005 to electric customers who:

19 (1) qualify for assistance from the fund during fiscal year [2002 or 2003]  
20 2002, FISCAL YEAR 2003, OR FISCAL YEAR 2004;

21 (2) apply for assistance from the fund before July 1, [2003] 2004; and

22 (3) remain eligible for assistance at the time services are provided.

23 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
24 June 1, 2004.